# BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT 148 Wonder Street Johnstown, PA 15905

# Minutes for March 17, 2014

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled March 17, 2014 Council meeting was called to order by President Danyluk at 4:00 p.m.

**Present:** Attorney Michael Carbonara, Borough Manager Richard Wargo; Sec./Tres. Amanda Claycomb, Council President Ed Danyluk; Council Members; Gregory Paolini, Herb Ewald, William Kory, Kevin Pile, Sheree Speicher, and Robert Morgan; Det. Sgt. George Musulin; Mayor Mark Yonko; Fire Chief Joel Weslager

Visitors: Randy Griffith, Tribune Democrat; Deb Winterscheidt, Visitor; Tom Holleran, Visitor

### Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the February 17, 2014 Council Minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Speicher to approve the March 11, 2014 Special Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried.

### Police Chief's Report

Chief Havas reported Officer West attended a two-day School Professional Development Training regarding school threat assessment procedures and Officer Watts attended two days of update and recertification training for Motor Carrier Enforcement.

### Fire Company's Report

Chief Weslager reported there were several accidents and stuck vehicles due to poor road conditions on Rt. 403 and Rt. 271 in Southmont Borough and Upper Yoder Twp noting one vehicle rolled over an embankment on Menoher Blvd. at Pine Grove Lane due to icy roads. Chief Weslager reported three members are attending an Exterior Firefighting class and noting there were two in-house training sessions with Upper Yoder Twp. And Westwood Fire Departments. Chief Weslager also stated that Firefighter David Farra has completed all parts of his basic firefighter training. Chief Weslager reported crews cleaned out fire hydrants several times throughout the month due to snow.

### Engineer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported Stiffler McGraw came into the office to review the televising tapes and will provide a report shortly.

# **Zoning Officer's Report**

Mr. Wargo reported one approved sewer compliance certificate issued to 826 Diamond Blvd.

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### Manager's Report

Mr. Wargo reported crack sealing should begin the first week of April and paving should hopefully be completed by Fourth of July. Mr. Wargo stated the street sweeper has been brought out for maintenance before street sweeping begins. Mr. Wargo also noted Kline Kimlin has completed the 2013 borough audit with no findings and the Southmont Volunteer Fire Co. audit should begin shortly.

### Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Carbonara reported he received the transcripts from the zoning hearing regarding Joe Birch of 509 State Street.

### Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Resolution 2014-01, Disposition of Records. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried.

### Mayor's Report

Nothing to report.

#### **New Business**

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to accept the resignation of Attorney Robert Shahade as Zoning Solicitor for Southmont Borough because of possible conflict of interest. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Pile to reappoint Mr. Anthony Pinozzotto to the Greater Johnstown Water Authority. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried.

#### 1) COMMITTEE REPORTS

**A. Streets:** Nothing to report.

B. Administration: Nothing to report.

**C. Personnel:** A motion was made by Mr. Pile to hire Scott Buck, Charles Barbato, Matt Smith, Ryan Lombardi, Mark Kaplaniak and Dan Layton at \$7.25 per hour on an as needed basis for part time labor help. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried.

D. Police Committee: Nothing to report.

E. Budget & Tax Collection Committee: Nothing to report.

F. Shade Tree Committee: Nothing to report.

G. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Nothing to report.

H. Greater Johnstown Water Authority: Mr. Pile reported the Water Authority has instituted work orders for projects to be done at the same time as PennDOT projects to

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save on costs. Mr. Pile stated the Water Authority is looking into potentially adding new customers because of the Ligonier Inter-Connection.

I. Open Records: Nothing to report.

#### **Business Items**

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve ratification of payroll from February 20, 2014 through March 19, 2014 in the amount of \$12,193.92. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Paolini to approve payment of bills from February 19, 2014 through March 18, 2014 in the amount of \$73,548.52. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Kory to accept the February 2014 treasurers report. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Kory to note the receipt of the February 2014 tax collectors report in the amount of \$0.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. All in favor, motion carried.

An Executive Session was called at 4:24 p.m. to discuss possible legal litigation. Executive Session ended at 5:05 p.m. and Council resumed its regularly scheduled meeting.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Morgan for adjournment of the March 17, 2014 meeting at 5:05 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, *Amanda D. Claycomb*Secretary/Treasurer